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| In re Application of: | | Notice of Allowance Dated: 4/15/10 |
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| NORIKO MINAMINO ET AL. | |)) Group Art Unit: 2164 |
| Application No.: 10/580,271 | |)) Examiner: R. Mahmood |
| Filed: | May 25, 2006 |) Confirmation No.: 4747 |
| For: | DATABASE MANAGEMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MANAGING DATABASE | ,))) |

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Applicant is in receipt of the Notice of Allowance and attached Notice of Allowability dated April 15, 2010.

Applicant has claimed priority based on Japanese Patent Application

No. 2005-061121. According to the Patent Office's PAIR website, the certified copy of
the priority application was obtained by the Patent Office on May 25, 2006. Additionally,
the Notice of Acceptance mailed by the Patent Office on January 2, 2009, indicates the
priority document "filed on 05/25/2006" was received. However, to date, the Examiner
has not acknowledged the claim for priority.

The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability acknowledging receipt of the claim for priority and the certified copy.

Respectfully submitted,

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